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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: TERRORISM/PAKISTAN; NEW DELHI.

This countrywide cable reports on relevant media reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press. The Mission reports on English-language media via email through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

TERRORISM/PAKISTAN

¶1. "PAKISTAN'S BACKOUT," editorial in June 3 AMAR UJALA Hindi daily: "Pakistan maintains its double standards, even though it is fighting a war for its existence. On the one hand, it bans Jamaat-ud-Dawa, but at the same time it releases the organization' leader, Saeed."

¶2. "PAKISTAN'S JUSTICE," editorial in June 3 DAINIK JAGRAN Hindi daily: "The Mumbai attack mastermind and JuD Chief Saeed's release should be an eye-opener not just for India, but for all those countries who think Pakistan is serious about defeating terrorism. The U.S. and U.K. refuse to accept the truth about Pakistan, but India too has failed to correctly assess the situation. Trusting Pakistan's policymakers is deceiving yourself."

¶3. "TRAITOR PAKISTAN," editorial in May 4 centrist Marathi daily, SAKAAL: "The release of terrorist Hafiz Saeed in Pakistan is a defining moment for India - a time to rethink its stance toward Pakistan. It is also the time to judge if the U.S. can in any way help India, or if India should sketch out its own strategy to tackle Pakistan."

¶4. "SHAMELESS PAKISTAN," editorial in May 4 centrist Marathi daily, NAVSHAKTI: "Even after the release of Jamaat-u-Dawa chief Saeed, the U.S. has not questioned Pakistan as to why substantive evidence could not be produced against a dreaded terrorist. The episode not only underlines Pakistan's lack of commitment in the war on terror, it shows that U.S. designs in South Asia are suspicious. One wonders if the U.S. really wants peace in South Asia."

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